

Memorandum

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To: CALFED Policy Group

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Subject: Draft Preferred Alternative — Initial Framework

Summary

For the past several months CALFED agencies and stakeholders have been considering potential approaches to structuring a decision on the draft preferred alternative, phased implementation of the preferred alternative, and potential conditions and linkages necessary to assure equitable and efficient implementation.

Over the past month considerable review and editing has been done on the framework document entitled "*Developing a Draft Preferred Alternative*". Due to additional edits being provided, the August version of the document was not ready to include in this packet but will either be included in the mailing with the packet or mailed separately prior to the meeting.

Some of the significant components of the framework document have been included in the attached *Policy Framework Paper*. The Policy Framework Paper was presented at the August Management Team meeting. Management Team suggested changes to the paper and approved the nine items to be presented to Policy Group.

Detailed Discussion

See attached Policy Framework Paper.

Action

Decision Item. The Policy Group is being asked to make a decision regarding the initial policy framework for the draft preferred alternative.

CALFED Agencies

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The Resources Agency
Department of Fish and Game
Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board

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Environmental Protection Agency
Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
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Natural Resources Conservation Service
Department of Commerce
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